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PIKE COUNTY NEWS

If you know any worth-while news that you think ought to be published or would interest other readers, our Pikeville correspondent will be glad to receive it. In writing out news please remember to make it as brief as you well can, and write plain. If typewritten, so much the better, but this will not be positively required. Mail your composition to Mr. Phelps, or hand it to him personally, but do not wait until the news is stale. Follow these rules carefully and editor, correspondent and reader can all be mutually helpful.

CUPID IN PIKE.

Following is a list of marriage certificates issued by the County Clerk's office at Pikeville for the past ten days.

Robt. L. May, age 18, to Beatrice Frank, 16, Stone, Ky.
Reuben Wallace, 24, to Phoebe Akers, 19, Myra, Ky.
Tom Johnson, 44, to Lena Johnson, 44, Melvin, Ky.
Reuben Childers, 18, to Ella Ratliff, 17, Hollier.
Leonard Tackitt, 19, to Mary Jane Tackitt, 18, Hartley.
Chas. M. Layne, 33, to Anna Lee Justice, 19, Pikeville.
Floyd Blackburn, 17, to Effie Justice, McCombs, Ky.
Epp Stone, 23, to Bettie Varny, 18, Raccoon, Ky.

MISS SANDUSKY DELAYED.

Miss Roberta Sandusky, formerly one of the corps of teachers at Pikeville College, who was to have arrived at Pikeville last Saturday, was delayed by the illness of her sister at Lexington.

Miss Sandusky will open her Domestic Science and Plain Sewing Class in the kitchen of the Presbyterian Church August 11th, instead of August 4th, as formerly planned. These courses are the same as those given at the State University, and all the young ladies of the city are invited to be present at the opening of the class to hear the first lesson, as the guests of Miss Sandusky.

CAMPBELL JUSTIFIED.

An article appearing in these columns from Prestonsburg last week, in which the writer unjustly criticized County Superintendent M. F. Campbell, of Pikeville, for refusing to order the building of several small school houses at various places in the county.

This is Mr. Campbell's reason: It was formerly the custom in this State to split large school districts in two, and to build as many small schools in the county as possible, for the convenience of children in the rural districts. But experience has proven this an unwise idea, as stated by Prof. T. J. Coates, of Frankfort, who taught the last Institute here in July. It is the modern idea to consolidate schools and school districts. This was fully discussed in a former article in this paper. For this reason, and the additional reason that the school fund was

well nigh exhausted, Mr. Campbell felt that he was justified in refusing numerous requests for these smaller schools.

OLD-TIME SPELLING.

As a result of a challenge sent to the girls of the Sunday School of the M. E. Church, South by the boys on Sunday, July 28th, an old-time spelling match was held at the church Tuesday night, to test who were the best spellers, the boys or the girls. The girls won.

The old blue-back spelling book was used, and G. W. Pinson acted as "schoolmaster," and Prof. T. J. Kendrick as referee. James Renfro, teacher of the boys' class, was captain of the boys' side, and H. M. Hoskins, teacher of the girls' class, was captain of the girls' lineup.

Mr. Webber, a Cincinnati architect, did the best spelling on the side of the young men, but Miss Mary Auxier and others finally spelled him down.

NO TYPHOID.

Pikeville and Pike county are today nearer immune from typhoid, the summer scourge, and other ailments this season than probably ever before. Physicians say there is but one case of typhoid within the limits of the city at the present time, and very few cases of it are to be found in the entire county, and a lower percentage of sickness generally than in many previous years.

Paved streets and the exertions of the City Board of Health are principally responsible, with the aid of the dry weather, for the present unusually perfect health conditions at Pikeville.

PRIMARY RESULTS.

The primary election held here last Saturday was attended with great public interest. At the close of the day reports were slow in coming in, and it was not until late Sunday that a definite line could be drawn on the situation. Beckham received about 50 majority in the county, Willson about 25, Camden about 1400, and Fitzpatrick 340. The exact figures in the two Pikeville precincts were as follows:

North Pikeville.

Democrat—Beckham received 50 votes, McCreaty 75, and Stanley 6 in the race for the long term.

In the Democratic race for the short term Camden 93, Smith 5, and B. H.

Young 12.

Republican—Ernst received 42 votes, Willson 100, and McLaughlin 1, in the long term race.

In the short term race Fitzpatrick received 70 and Bullitt 31.

Progressive—Vance 3, Jolly 1.

South Pikeville.

Democrat—Beckham 49, McCreaty 56, Stanley 1, in the race for the long term.

Short term—Camden 84, Young 8, Smith 3.

Republican—Ernst 61, Willson 47, McLaughlin 4.

Short term—Fitzpatrick 51, Bullitt 38.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

A Sunday School convention representing all the churches of Pike county will be held at Pikeville Friday and Saturday, Sept. 4th and 5th, and a picnic will also be given to the visitors by the Pikeville churches on Saturday.

Before this union convention can be held, four sub-conventions must first be held in the county, one at Zebulon, on Coon; one at Coal Run; one at Yeager, on Shelby Creek; and one at Elkhorn City. Three of these have already been held. Preparations are being made for the greatest Sunday School event in the history of Pike county. Two delegates to represent each church are selected at the sub-conventions, and these with a party of friends will attend the mass convention here in September. The convention will be held in the M. E. Church South.

HOTEL CHANGES HANDS.

The Williamson hotel, formerly operated by J. M. J. Damron, was leased to Sheriff George M. Mullins by the owners last Wednesday. The hotel, which was formerly the old Hibbard Williamson house, will be managed by Luther Mullins, son of the sheriff, and his wife, who expect to operate a modern and up-to-date hotel.

POSTAL DELIVERY COMING.

Mayor I. M. Williams has spent several days canvassing the city, as directed by the council, to ascertain the number of figures and other necessities required before the postal delivery service can be inaugurated. Both the Mayor and Council are doing their utmost to get this needed improvement into operation as soon as possible, and this will be a most creditable monument for their administration.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

The picnic and ball game between teams made up of married and single men on the campus of Pikeville College last Thursday were great successes. Rarely has it been the pleasure of Pikeville people to see so many delicacies prepared in such pleasing manner as were spread the entire length of the portico in front of Hendrick Hall. This had nothing of the appearance of hard times.

Rev. I. N. Fannin returned last week from a business visit of several days to Huntington.

Judge J. M. Robertson spent last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the eastern border of Pike county making speeches in the interest of Gov. McCreaty's race.

Attorney W. W. Reynolds returned last Thursday from a professional visit to Beaver Creek in Floyd county.

Rev. Wade Rowe attended picnics held at Coal Run and Yeager last week. Mrs. W. H. McCulloch and two little sons arrived at Pikeville last Friday, and they will make their future home in this city.

Eugene Davis, who is now working with the Marrowbone shifter from Shelbyana, spent Sunday in Pikeville.

The second team of Pikeville went to Island Creek Saturday to play the local team at that place in the afternoon. The Pikeville boys had the better of the game by long odds until the close of the game, when the Island Creek boys scored heavily, and the game closed with one point in their favor.

Miss Eva Wellman, of Louisa, arrived here last Sunday evening to be the guest of her brother Len and wife for a few days.

C. T. Rule and H. C. Arnett, of Paintsville, were business callers here during the first art of the week.

Glenn Ferrell, of Louisa, has been here for several days recently.

George Hatfield and Henry Smith, of Williamson, were business visitors to Pikeville this week.

The Greer automobile, Willie Call driving, stuck fast in the quicksand while trying to ford the Sandy river last Sunday, and a mule had to be hitched to it to bring it ashore.

Mrs. W. H. Justice, of Catlettsburg, arrived at Pikeville last Sunday evening on her way to visit friends and relatives at her former home in the country above Pikeville.

James P. West, who during the past eighteen months has been assistant manager of the Sandy Valley Telephone Co., having charge of the mechanical department, left last Friday with Mrs. West and niece Sadie for Ashland, where Mr. West will be employed a few days before going to New Orleans where he will have charge of a division of the telephone system of that city.

Miss Lizzie Mullins, daughter of Sheriff Geo. M. Mullins, returned last Friday from a visit to friends and relatives at Marrowbone.

D. C. Polley, of Millard, Ky., was in town last Friday.

Miss Virgie McCombs, teacher at the Baptist Sunday School, last Thursday entertained her class at the home of Dr. J. W. Vickers last Thursday. Prof. Rush Deskins, also a teacher at the Sunday School of the Christian Church, entertained her class at his home on Scott avenue Saturday. Both entertainments were delightful affairs, and were greatly enjoyed.

County Attorney Ed Picklesimer attended Squire Adkins' court at Elkhorn City last Thursday.

James Hatcher went to Ivel last Friday to vote Saturday, having transferred his citizenship to Floyd county.

Misses Metta and Mary Louise Hatcher, of Auxier, Floyd county, who were the guests of Miss Mary Auxier at her home on College street for several days, have returned to their home in Floyd county, after enjoying a most delightful visit to Pikeville. They expect to become students in a St. Louis Medical College this fall. They were

also former students at Marshall College in Huntington.

H. M. Hoskins and James Hoskins, the Kimball Piano salesmen and local distributors, have moved their office into the Thornsburg building, adjoining the Kate D. Hatcher millinery store. They were formerly located in the First National Bank building.

Mrs. James Dent and daughter, Miss Della Mae, of Ashland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walker at their home on Fourth street this week.

James Peery, C. & O. fireman, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. W. Peery, at their home on Second street Monday.

Ruben Anderson, the "big man" of Shelby Creek, was in town Monday.

Attorney W. D. Blair, of Prestonsburg, was here professionally this week.

Police Court was in session at its regular August term for the trial of civil cases Tuesday.

Alex Spradlin, of Prestonsburg, and J. C. B. Auxier, of East Point, two experienced coal men of Floyd and Johnson counties, were here looking over the Pike county coal opportunities, with a possible view to investment Tuesday.

Grever Whitman, who has been spending a few days of his vacation with parents here, has returned to his work with the Yellow Poplar Lumber Co. in Virginia, just above Elkhorn City.

Mr. R. R. Barton, of Catlettsburg, was here stopping at a local hotel last Monday.

DOINGS OF JOHNSON COUNTY PEOPLE.

News From Paintsville and the Surrounding Country.

Miss Eva Wellman, of Louisa, is here the pleasant guest of Miss Jennie Fern Spradlin.

Heber Wheatley, of Aden, Ky., is here the guest of home folks.

Mrs. James Layne and children, of Prestonsburg, are here visiting her mother, Mrs. Amanda Wheatley.

Edgar Phipps, of the Standard Oil Co., Ashland, was a business visitor here this week.

Washington Wheeler, of Oil Springs, visited his brother Jasper here this week.

John Ramey has had his laundry completed and the first whistle blew Thursday morning. This improvement will be a great help for Paintsville.

John E. Sagraves, of Huntington, is here this week a business visitor.

Miss Julien Stapleton, of Oil Springs, was the guest of Miss Josie Ward this week.

Rev. and Mrs. Dial, of Louisa, are here this week where the Reverend will fill his appointment at the Christian Church Sunday.

Rev. J. C. Kilgo, of Durham, N. C., and Dr. U. V. W. Darlington, of the Morris Harvey College, Barboursville, W. Va., were here Friday and Saturday.

Rev. Kilgo delivered a very interesting sermon at the M. E. Church South Friday evening to a large audience.

Miss Virgie Rice, stenographer and clerk for the Paintsville stationery store, left Thursday for her home at Riceville where she will spend a few days and then go to Ashland to visit her uncle, Rev. Harmon Rice.

Work has begun on the M. E. Church which is to be a handsome building when finished.

Miss Mildred Powell was a business visitor at Theakle Friday.

James Akers, of Van Lear, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Prof. J. T. Dorsey has returned from Whitesburg, where he attended the teachers' institute.

Mrs. D. D. Kennard has returned from a visit with her son at Ivel.

Dr. O. N. Wilson is able to be out again after a severe attack of rheumatism.

Miss Stella Atkinson is visiting relatives in northern Ohio.

Miss Elizabeth Easterling spent the week-end with Miss Virginia Stratton, at Thelma.

Misses Maude and Blanche Ward spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Levi Peters, at Louisa.

Miss Eva Wellman, who had been the pleasant guest of Miss Jennie Fern Spradlin for the last few days, left last evening for Pikeville, where she will spend a few days with friends before returning to her home at Louisa.

Ira W. See spent Sunday with home folks at Louisa.

Miss Caryl Yeager returned last evening from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Joe Slinnot, at Borderland, W. Va. Mrs. Slinnot accompanied her home.

Walter Davis and Miss O'Boyle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buckingham.

Miss Thelma Meek, of Thelma, Ky., was in town Monday shopping.

H. La Viers, manager of the North-East Coal Company, is at Auxier on business for the company.

Misses Mildred Powell, Irene La Viers and Messrs. H. La Viers, R. C. Thomas, Wm. Merwin, C. T. Rule, Ed Conley and Francis Rice spent the afternoon Saturday in a delightful game of tennis on the La Viers court.

Several sets were played and Miss La Viers and Mr. Conley won, with Miss Powell and Mr. Rule as close seconds.

Saturday evening a crowd of young folks laden with marshmallows and matches made their way to the salt well just out of Grannickle and spent a delightful hour or two toasting marshmallows and telling stories. The party was made up of Misses Irene La Viers, Edna Hager, Loretta Prindible, Margaret Auxier, Eva Rice, Mildred Powell, Eva Wellman and Jennie Spradlin and Russell Hager, Ed Conley, Heber Wheatley, Frank Cooper, Gail Price, Martin Wheeler and Mr. Norton and Mr. Lafferty.

Croquet sets at Snyder Hardware Company's.

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LETCHER COUNTY AND WHITESBURG.

What is Happening in this Rich Coal Territory of Kentucky.

Whitesburg, Ky., Aug. 5.—One of the most desperate battles that has been fought out in Eastern Kentucky in years, perhaps, took place on the headwaters of Rockhouse Creek north of here late Saturday evening, as a result of whiskey and the school election in that district.

All day Saturday there was trouble brewing between members of the Hall family and Dug Quillen, and late Saturday, after the closing of the polls, all the parties met on the roadside and a deadly clash was the result. Within a few moments the lives of four men were shot out while two were wounded. The dead men are: Albert Hall, Marion Hall, Talton Hall and Dug Quillen, Lance Hall being the only man in the battle who escaped, and he was seriously wounded in the left arm at about the first charge. Mrs. Albert Hall, who it is said, came to the rescue of her husband, received a wound in her left foot. At last reports it was thought that blood poisoning was developing and that the woman was likely to die of the wound. Lance Hall is being held here pending an examining trial to be held within a few days.

The terrible murder is deeply deplored by people throughout the county.

The returns from Letcher county's primary though still incomplete show that McCreaty carried the county by about 200 majority. Ernst, the Republican, carried the county over Willson by a small majority. Some irregularities are reported from different sections of the county.

The Valley Creek Lumber Co., with headquarters at Rochester, N. Y., have just purchased another good timber tract on King's Creek and will move a large mill onto the property and begin the manufacture of staves on a large scale at an early date. The Crescent Stave Co. also have some large mills there. The stave and lumber business is getting real active in most all sections of the county.

The August term of the Letcher Circuit Court will convene here next Monday with Judge J. M. Robertson presiding. The term will be the most important held here in years. A large number of important suits will be tried.

Hon. John D. White for many years known as "the crested mountain jayhawker" is here on business from Manchester. Mr. White visited the great development work in the coal fields of the county and was deeply impressed.

The Kentucky Tuberculosis Car which made exhibits at different places in Letcher county, left Saturday for its return to Frankfort, having made its last exhibit in Fleming. Prof. James S. Faulkner, the lecturer, left a deep impression on the mountain people, and it is believed that great good will result. His lectures on tuberculosis and typhoid fever, their care and treatment, were especially interesting.

WOODS.

Hon. Rube Taylor gave a nice donation to the new church of this place.

A very exciting ball game was played at this place Sunday. Cow Creek vs. Bull Creek, resulting in a victory for Bull Creek.

Mrs. Laura Sherman entertained to six o'clock dinner Mr. J. Earl Burchett, Mr. Arthur Brunk, Mr. W. B. Westbrook, of Prestonsburg, Mr. Jim Jones, of Pikeville, Misses Ollie Burchett, Cow Creek, Lillie Brunk, Huntington, Ruth Herald, Prestonsburg, and Lucy Conley, Boganza. A very pleasant evening was spent.

A crowd of young folks from this place attended a picnic Saturday at Pleasant Ridge. Among the many were Misses Rhoda and Anna Branharn, Bessie, Mattie and Rachel Daniels, Ollie and Martha Burchett, Lillie Brunk, Ruth Herald, Della Kendrick and Bertha Weddington; Messrs. Arthur Brunk, Clyde and Earl Burchett, Tom Compton, Turner Branharn, Ollie and Banner Harris, Jake Weddington, Dock and Red Ward. The machines were furnished by Harry W. Weddington, Jr. Mrs. Reuben Taylor and Mrs. Bill Sherman being chaperones. A very pleasant time was reported.

Prof. Nick Vest is visiting home folks at Ivel, Ky.

Lewis Thompson, of Prestonsburg, passed through here Sunday with a nice drove of cattle en route to Louisa.

A. O. Burchett, of Sugar Loaf, Ky., has almost completed his new cellar. John Garrett was elected trustee for this school here by a majority of 21.

TICCO DOMINECK.

FALLSBURG.

Our school is progressing nicely with Samuel Diamond teacher.

Miss Dora Rice is visiting relatives at Hannah, Ky.

Miss Lizzie Benard spent the day with Irene Carter Sunday.

Quite a large crowd from here attended meeting at Long Branch Saturday night.

Bob Cains is contemplating a trip to Oklahoma soon to visit Cox Haws and to see the country.

Miss Gussie Frasher and Golda Jordan visited Mrs. Olga Smith Sunday.

Z. T. Webb has left for Waukesha, Wis., to attend the camp meeting.

Mrs. Viola Cochran was visiting Mrs. L. V. Cairnes Monday.

Bert Blankenship has returned home for a few days.

Our Bible school at this place is progressing nicely. Elva Blankenship president; Ran Boggs, chaplain; Eli Frasher, teacher; Gussie Frasher and Ruby Henson, secretaries.

Mrs. Lula Salyers and Mabel Dilley are visiting their mother at this place but will leave soon.

H. C. Austin and wife spent the day at George Yates' Sunday.

Fred Nunley and Miss Pearl Blankenship were at Gussie Frasher's Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Marm Dyer and Gussie Frasher was shopping at Yatesville Tuesday.

BLUE EYED GIRL.

FLOYD COUNTY'S RECORD FOR WEEK.

News From Prestonsburg and the Surrounding Country.

TWO KILLED AND ONE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN FIGHT OVER ELECTION.

Smalley, Ky., Aug. 5.—On last Saturday, August 1st, A. B. Barnett and Hall Flannery shot each other to death, and Will Barnett, son of A. B. Barnett, is shot through the neck and probably will die, as the result over the school election in this district.

The quarrel arose over one Manuel, who had sold his vote to both candidates, and in the wrangle Barnett and Flannery killed each other. It is said Young Barnett also shot Flannery.

On Sunday morning their funerals were attended by a large crowd. Both were buried at the cemetery at the mouth of Buck's Branch.

Will Reynolds, one of the party, is under a \$2,000 bond to appear here Saturday for his examining trial. He is accused of shooting Senior Barnett.

They still tote their pistols in Floyd county regardless of the new law.

Mrs. C. C. Dunn, of Weeksbury, is the guest of Mrs. Charles Evans.

Mrs. James Slesmore and Miss Sallie Branharn are visiting at Woods.

Mrs. Charles Evans has returned home from a visit at Henry Clay. She was accompanied by her little niece, Elizabeth Cockle.

Claude Stephens was a business visitor at Allen Monday.

Mrs. N. M. White returned Monday from Chattanooga, Tenn., where she was called by the death of her sister. She was accompanied home by Mrs. A. D. Crossland and daughter Lillian.

Misses Ruth Davidson, Elizabeth Leete, Maxie Allen, Messrs. Martin Leete, Claude Stephens and Charles Hutsinipillar rode to Beaver Sunday and spent the day with Miss Eva Gardner.

Mrs. Wm. McVay entertained to six o'clock dinner Saturday Misses Edie Noel C. White, Florence Wilson, Mr. N. M. White, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Evans.

Wm. Strickland visited relatives at Huntington last week.

Alex Davidson and Bill May left Saturday for Lexington, Bowling Green, Winchester and other points.

Mrs. G. T. Roberts is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Garrett, at Hazen. Ira See and Tom Laubon are on the merchants.

Mr. Merwin, of Paintsville, visited here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. James Goble entertained to six o'clock dinner Saturday Rev. H. T. Watts, Rev. and Mrs. Wireman, Rev. Jose Osuna, Cien Kirk and Rev. Burke.

Dr. and Mrs. G. L. How have been at Olympia Sp. returned Sunday evening.

Mrs. A. C. Harlowe and Robert have returned from friends at Salyersville.

John Butler, of Pikeville, Monday.

The McMillan family, on Front st., who were poisoned Sunday on ice cream, are recovering.

ROVE CREEK.

Church at Buchanan Chapel next Saturday night and Sunday by Bro. Harvey.

Garrett Gilliam, who had his leg broken some time ago, is slowly improving.

Sarah and Carrie Vanhorn were visiting their sister at Zella Saturday.

George Bryan was calling on Golda Bellomy Sunday.